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"...WE HAVE
MORE PRESSING
CONCERNS TO
DEAL WITH!"

--AND
EVEN ONE
WHO COMMANDS
THE POWER OF
FLAME!

HOW
HORRIBLE!

WORSE
YET, COMRADES,
APE CITY HARBORS
HUMANS--WELCOMING
THEM WITH OPEN ARMS
AND **TEACHING**
THEM HOW TO
SPEAK!

ENOUGH OF
YOUR **LIES**,
STRANGER. YOU'LL
SCARE THE
CHILDREN!

I SPEAK THE TRUTH! YOUR HARVESTS
ARE BEING SQUANDERED ON HUMAN
ABOMINATIONS WHILE YOUR
OWN GO HUNGRY!

HE'S RIGHT.
THE DROUGHTS **RUINED**
OUR CROPS THIS SEASON,
AND EACH DAY, MORE
HUMANS COME TO STEAL
WHAT LITTLE WE
HAVE GROWN!

ENOUGH! WE SHOULD
SHOW THE LEADERS OF
APE CITY WHAT WE THINK
OF THEM--**WHAT WE
THINK OF THE
HUMANS!**

YOU DARE
FANTASIZE
ABOUT KILLING
YOUR FELLOW
APE?

LISTEN
TO ME,
OR FACE
PERIL!

FROM WHAT
I HAVE WITNESSED...
THESE **ATROCIOUS**
APES HAVE BECOME
**SOMETHING ELSE--
SOMETHING
HORRIBLE!**

FOR APE
SOCIETY TO
SURVIVE, WE MUST
ACT NOW! WE
MUST GO TO
APE CITY...

...WE MUST
**DESTROY THE
FOUR!**



An unknown planet in the far reaches of space is home to an advanced society of apes who walk, talk, and act like humans. Scientists DR. ZAIUS, DR. ZIRA, and her fiancé, DR. CORNELIUS, use the primitive, mute human population for scientific study and menial labor on the PLANET OF THE APES.

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After braving the unknown terrors of outer space, a quartet of explorers were changed by cosmic rays into something more than merely human! Now MR. FANTASTIC, THE INVISIBLE WOMAN, THE HUMAN TORCH, and THE THING are the FANTASTIC FOUR, and the world will never be the same again!

PLANET OF THE APES VERSUS FANTASTIC FOUR

The RED GHOST and his SUPER-APES invaded the FANTASTIC FOUR's headquarters in search of the DI-QUANTUM STABILIZER. During the ensuing battle, the Red Ghost activated the device and transported the Fantastic Four to the PLANET OF THE APES! Upon arrival, the Fantastic Four found their powers had vanished. The team was soon captured and put on trial for heresy against ape society. At the trial, the Fantastic Four's powers mysteriously manifested in DR. ZAIUS, DR. ZIRA, DR. CORNELIUS and GENERAL URSUS.

Meanwhile, back on Earth-616, the Red Ghost sought out a new ally... DOCTOR DOOM!

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FANTASTIC FOUR CREATED BY STAN LEE & JACK KIRBY

Ape City.

FIRST, WE GET STRANDED ON THIS BANANA CREAM PIE OF A PLANET, THEN WE LOSE OUR POWERS. AND NOW WE'RE LOCKED UP!

HMM.

I SUSPECT WE'D HAVE NO DIFFICULTY BREAKING FREE OF THIS PRIMITIVE CELL.

THEN THAT'S IT. WE'LL WAIT FOR AN OPENING AND ESCAPE!

I'M AFRAID THAT WOULD DO LITTLE GOOD, JOHNNY. IT SEEMS THAT THIS PLACE, STRANGE AS IT MAY BE, IS THE **CENTER** OF APE CIVILIZATION.

IF WE ARE TO RETURN HOME, I SUSPECT THE ANSWERS LIE SOMEWHERE HERE.

AND EVEN IF WE DO BREAK OUT OF THIS PRISON, THE GORILLAS WILL SURELY CAPTURE US AGAIN.

UNHAND MY WIFE THIS INSTANT!

YOU WILL SHUT UP AND GET IN YOUR CELL, FREAK!

CORNELIUS, DON'T ANGER THEM. JUST DO AS HE SAYS.



THIS IS MY LAB!
YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO IMPRISON US.

JULIUS,
TELL THESE SOLDIERS TO STAND DOWN. WHY MUST WE STAY HERE RATHER THAN OUR OWN HOME?



SORRY, CORNELIUS. ORDERS CAME FROM **PRESIDENT GAIUS** HIMSELF!

BESIDES,
YOU ALWAYS SAID YOU NEEDED A BREAK! HA!



IT WILL BE ALL RIGHT, MY DEAR. WE MUSTN'T FALL FOR SIMPLE INTIMIDATION.



BUT WE'VE COMMITTED NO CRIME!

THIS IS BARBARIC, TO TREAT AN APE LIKE A...LIKE A HUMAN!

HEY, I RESENT THAT REMARK!



I GET WHY **WE'RE** HERE IN SING SING, BUT WHAT DID **YOU** DO TO ANGER THE ORANGUTANS?

THE HUMANS!
WHY, I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THEY'D HAVE EXECUTED YOU BY NOW!

THAT'S ONE HELL OF A GREETING!



THEY'RE **CHIMPANZEES**. THAT'S WHY THEY'RE IMPRISONED.

YES, THAT'S **PRECISELY** IT.



THE WAY THESE APES SPOKE TO ONE ANOTHER WITH SUCH **DISDAIN**... THERE'S SOME SORT OF A **HIERARCHY** AT PLAY HERE.

TRUE, SUSAN. THE FANATICAL ORANGUTANS AND THE WARLIKE GORILLAS DESPISE FREE THINKERS. WE CHIMPANZEES ARE **PUNISHED** FOR OUR RATIONAL MINDS.



YOUR POWERS OF REASONING ARE REMARKABLE, HUMAN! I ONLY WISH I HAD THE TIME TO STUDY YOU.



QUITE FRANKLY, DR. ZIRA, I'D RATHER YOU NOT.

BUT THOSE TOOLS ARE SO FAMILIAR--COULD IT BE...?



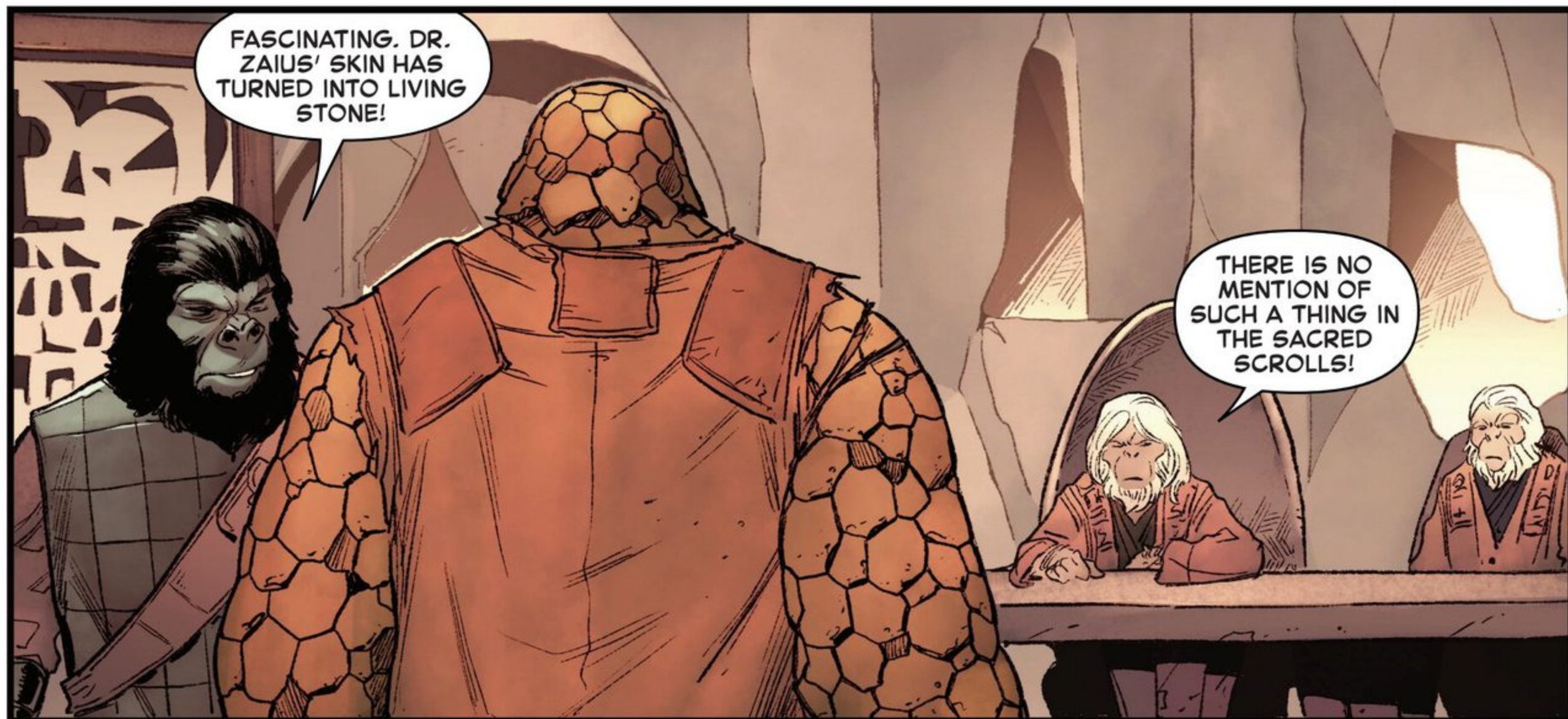
DR. ZAIUS AND GENERAL URSUS HOLD SPECIAL SWAY WITHIN APE CITY, WHILE DR. ZIRA AND I ARE MERE SCIENTISTS AND SCHOLARS.

STILL, ALL APES ARE **GIFTED EQUAL RIGHTS** BY THE LAWGIVER. THIS ENSURES A PEACEFUL BALANCE, THOUGH I ADMIT IT IS FRAGILE.

AND WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THAT BALANCE OF POWER **SHIFTS**?

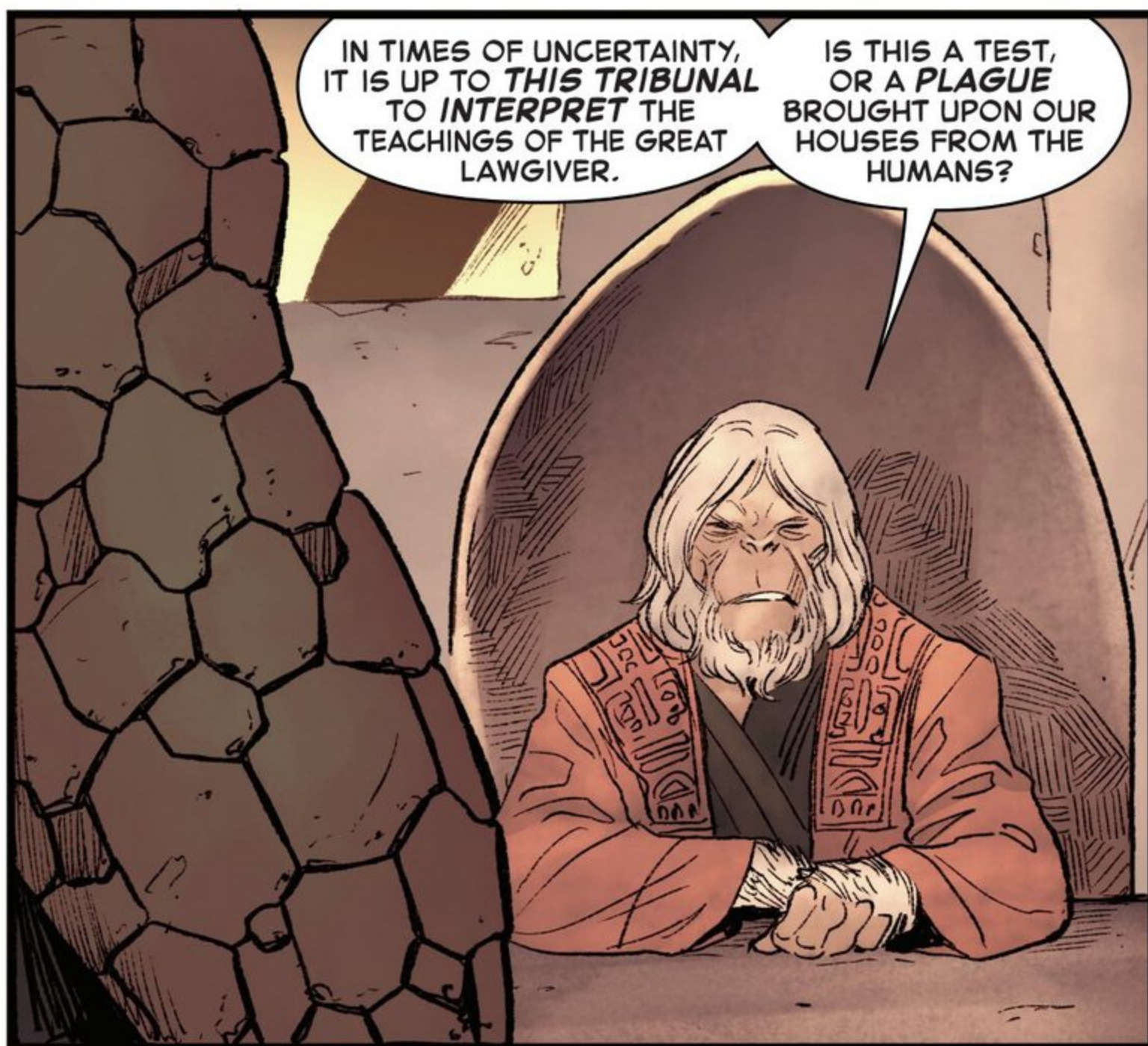


MAY THE LAWGIVER HAVE MERCY ON US ALL.



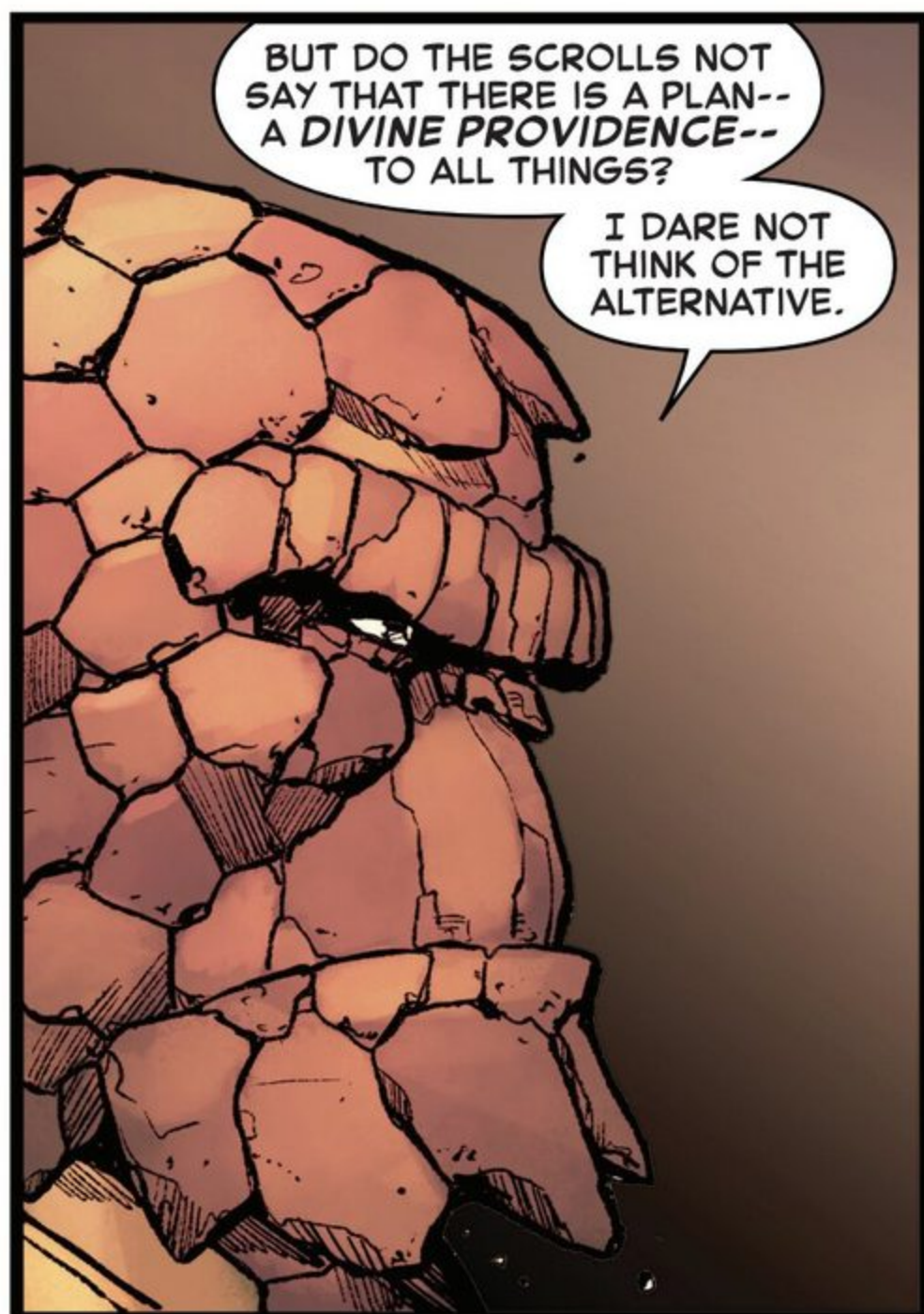
FASCINATING. DR. ZAIUS' SKIN HAS TURNED INTO LIVING STONE!

THERE IS NO MENTION OF SUCH A THING IN THE SACRED SCROLLS!



IN TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY, IT IS UP TO **THIS TRIBUNAL** TO **INTERPRET** THE TEACHINGS OF THE GREAT LAWGIVER.

IS THIS A TEST, OR A **PLAGUE** BROUGHT UPON OUR HOUSES FROM THE HUMANS?



BUT DO THE SCROLLS NOT SAY THAT THERE IS A PLAN-- A **DIVINE PROVIDENCE**-- TO ALL THINGS?

I DARE NOT THINK OF THE ALTERNATIVE.



PRESIDENT GAIUS, I--

GENERAL URSUS, YOU WERE ORDERED TO WAIT UNTIL YOU WERE SUMMONED! WE ARE NOT YET FINISHED WITH THE OTHERS.

BUT IT'S URGENT, SIR!



VERY WELL, WHAT IS IT?



WAR.





I MUST KNOW **EVERYTHING** ABOUT THIS WORLD! IF WE DON'T FIND THE TECHNOLOGY TO ESCAPE SOON, **WE'LL CERTAINLY DIE HERE!**



YOU SHOULD BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ASK, HUMAN.

I WILL TELL YOU WHAT WE KNOW, BUT IN TURN, I DEMAND YOU TELL US MORE ABOUT OUR RECENT... **TRANSFORMATIONS.**



WELL, MAKE IT QUICK. NO DOUBT JULIUS WILL BE BACK WITH MORE GUARDS.



THOUGH IT BETRAYS OUR FUNDAMENTAL TEACHINGS, I BELIEVE THIS WORLD ONCE BELONGED TO THE **HUMANS!**

WE'VE SEEN EVIDENCE IN MY ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIGS...RELICS OF AN ADVANCED HUMAN SOCIETY, PERHAPS EVEN MORE ADVANCED THAN OUR OWN. SOPHISTICATED **TOOLS, TOYS, EVEN LANGUAGE!**



BUT TO EVEN SUGGEST AS MUCH--**TO SUGGEST TRUTH--**COULD FIND YOU IMPRISONED, OR WORSE!

OUR SACRED SCROLLS TEACH US THAT IT WAS **THE WANTON CRUELTY OF MAN** THAT PROVED THEIR UNDOING. LONG AGO, THE **UNITED APES** ROSE UP IN PROTEST AND **FLOURISHED** THROUGHOUT THIS WORLD.



YOU FOLKS DON'T SEEM TOO UNITED TO ME.

HA. YOU REMIND ME OF THAT OTHER HUMAN.

OTHER HUMAN?



SILENCE!

A MILITIA HAS LAID SIEGE TO APE CITY, AND I KNOW THESE *DISGUSTING MONGRELS* ARE SOMEHOW TO BLAME!



YOU!
UNLOCK THIS
CAGE!

THE CITIZENS
BELIEVE THESE FOUR
ARE *EVIL INCARNATE*.
THAT WE PLACATE THEM
IN EXCHANGE FOR THEIR
TRAITOROUS
SECRETS.

AND I
DO NOT
DISAGREE.



DO YOU PROPOSE WE TURN
THESE HUMANS OVER TO THE
MOB AND ALLOW THEM
TO BE MURDERED?

I WOULD DO
SO *WITHOUT*
HESITATION, BUT IT
IS NOT THE HUMANS
THAT THESE CITIZEN
SOLDIERS
DESIRE...



...IT IS
THE FOUR
OF US.



YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS.
THEY'LL HAVE US
KILLED!

MIGHT I
SUGGEST
ANOTHER WAY,
DOCTOR
ZAIUS?



WITH YOUR ABILITIES, YOU
CAN HELP *ALL OF US* FLEE APE
CITY, AND TOGETHER, WE CAN
FIND A WAY TO REVERSE
YOUR REMARKABLE
CHANGES.

IF YOU ARE RESTORED TO YOUR
FORMER SELVES AND WE ARE
GONE, THESE APES WOULD HAVE
NO REASON TO LAY SIEGE TO
THE CITY. YOUR *HIERARCHY*
COULD BE RESTORED.



AND HOW
WOULD *THESE*
SAVAGES BE ABLE
TO CURE US? THEY
ADMITTED THAT THEIR
OWN SO-CALLED
TECHNOLOGY WAS
DESTROYED!

BRIGHT
EYES' SHIP!
OF COURSE! WE CAN
USE THE MAP IN MY
QUARTERS
TO FIND IT!





YOU ARE NOT THE FIRST HUMANS WE HAVE ENCOUNTERED WITH THE POWER OF SPEECH.

NOT LONG AGO, WE WERE CONFRONTED WITH ONE NOT UNLIKE YOURSELVES.



MY NAME FOR HIM WAS "BRIGHT EYES," BUT HE INSISTED ON THE STRANGE NAME "TAYLOR."

HE TOO CLAIMED TO HAVE COME HERE ON A SHIP THAT COULD TRAVEL THE STARS, FROM A FAR-OFF LAND CALLED FORT WAYNE, INDIANA.



AND WHAT BECAME OF THIS TAYLOR?



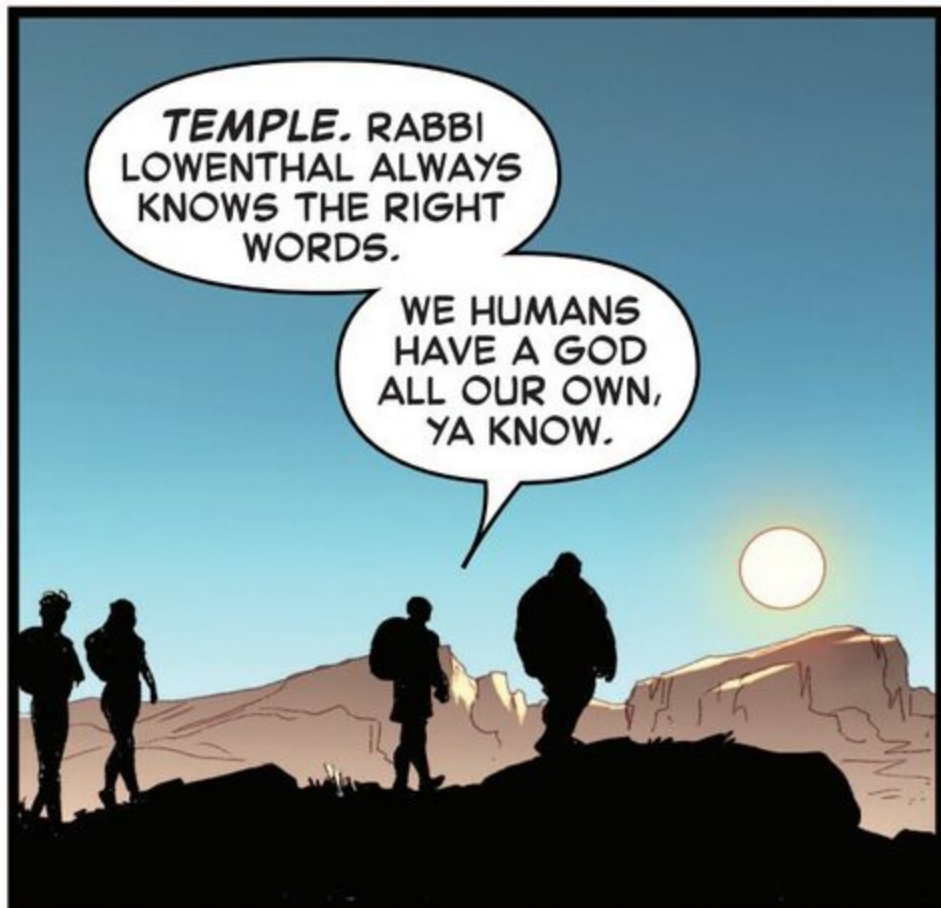
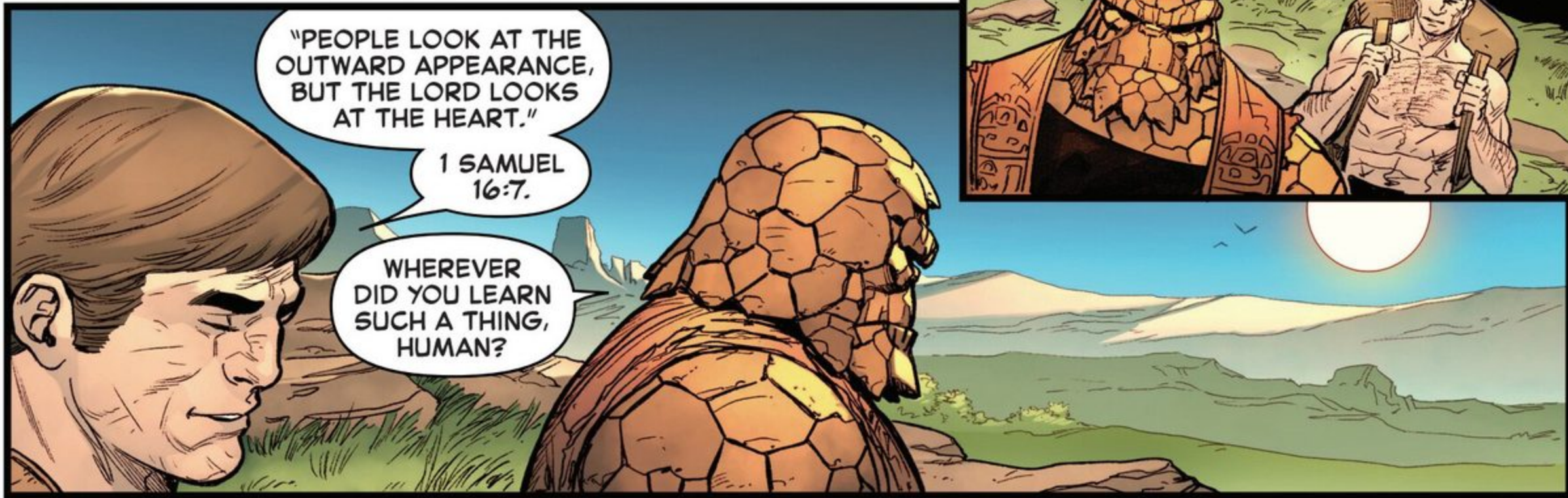
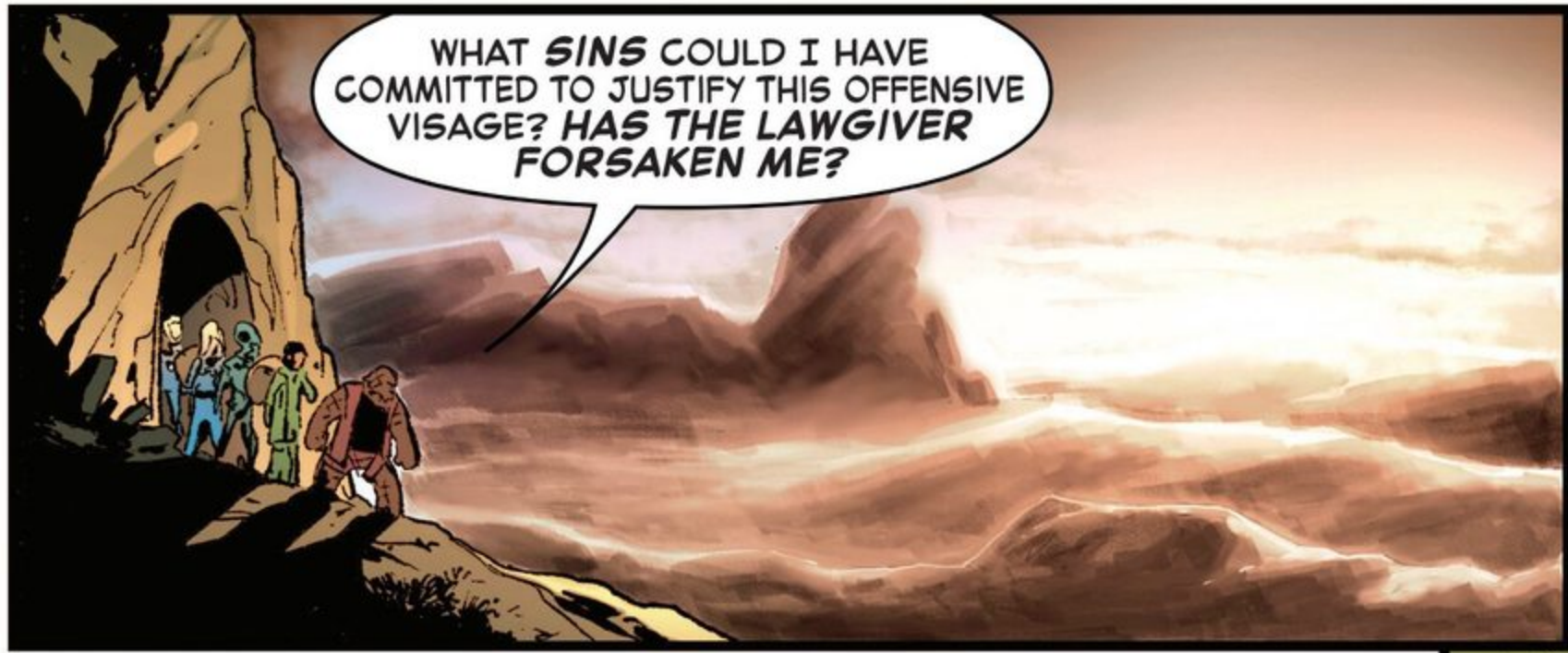
NO ONE KNOWS. WE FEAR HE IS LOST FOREVER.

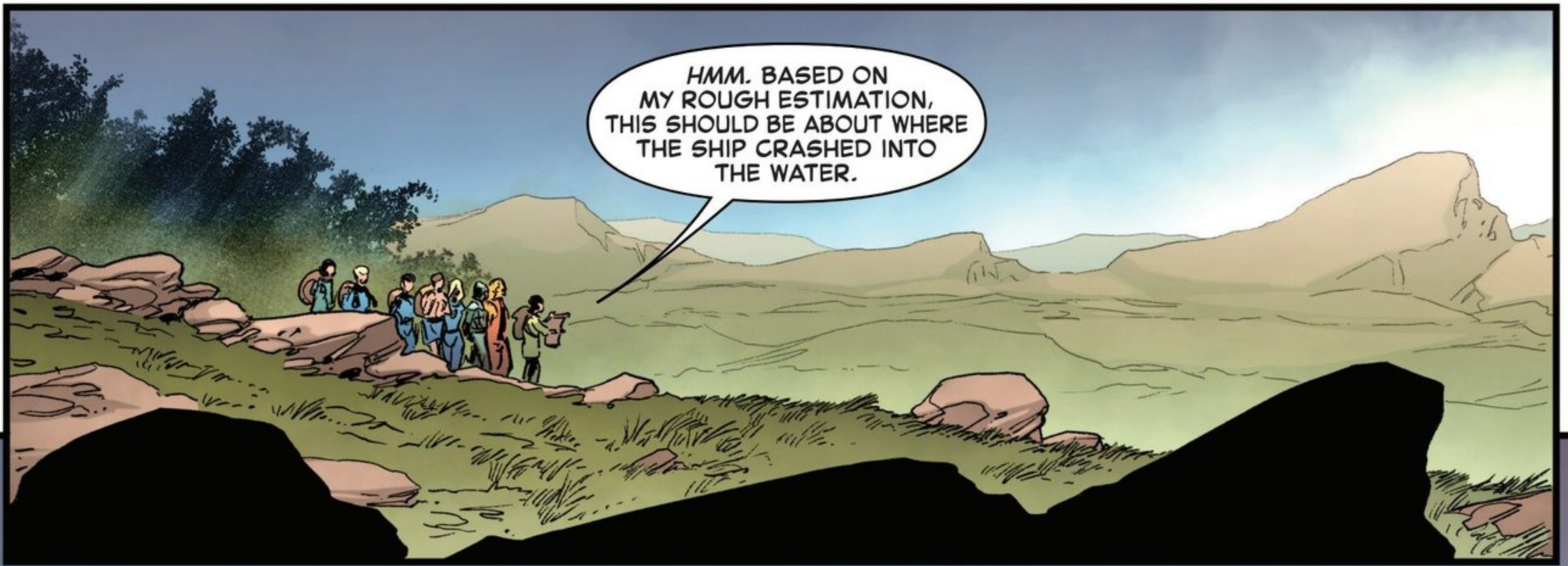
FEAR? NO. SOME OF US WELCOME IT.

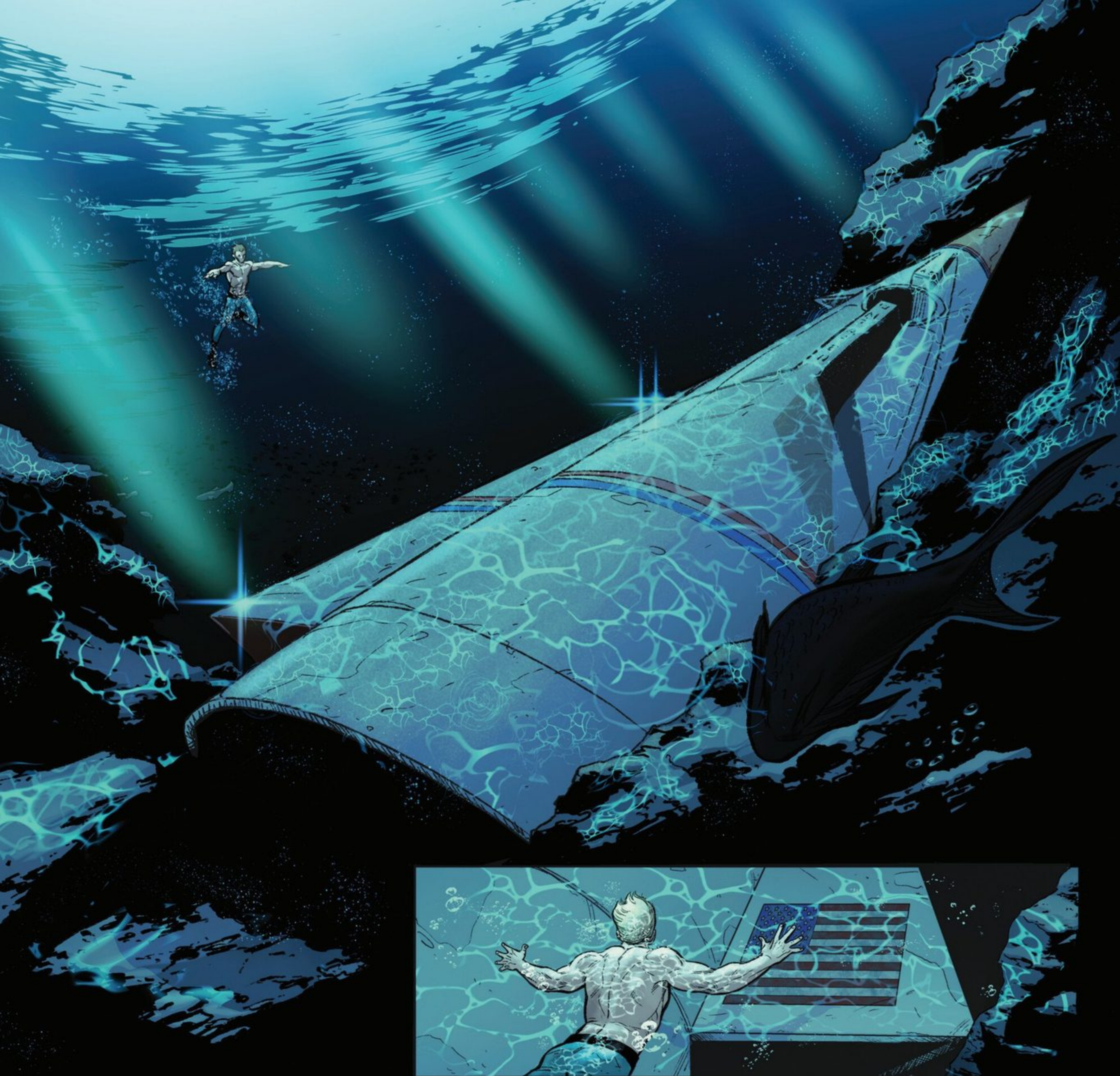


BASED ON WHAT TAYLOR SAID, I HAVE AN IDEA OF WHERE THE SHIP CRASHED, BUT NOT WHAT CONDITION IT'S IN.

LET REED WORRY ABOUT THAT. WE KNOW A THING OR TWO ABOUT BROKEN SPACESHIPS.

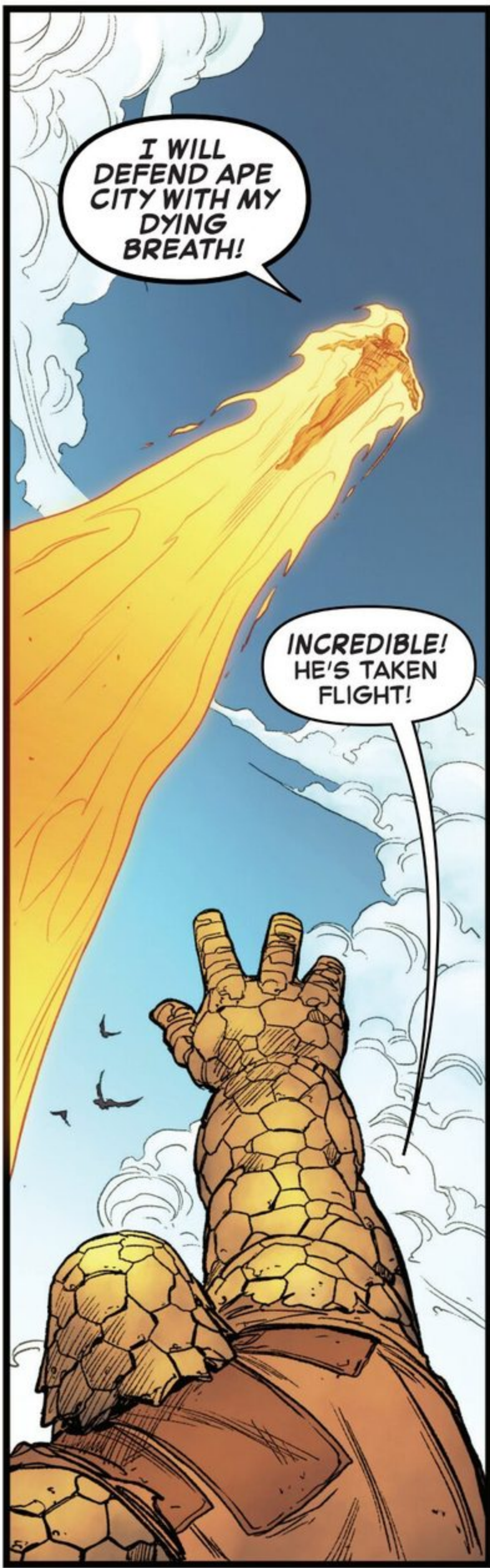
















GREETINGS,
GENERAL.

YOUR
REPUTATION
PRECEDES YOU.
IT IS A PITY WE
COULD NOT MEET
UNDER *BETTER*
CIRCUMSTANCES.



ARE YOU
APE...OR
HUMAN?!

NEITHER.

I AM
DOOM!



ACK!

NOW I'M SURE IF YOU USE
YOUR IMAGINATION, WE CAN
REACH A MUTUAL
UNDERSTANDING.

next: DOOM ON THE PLANET OF THE APES!

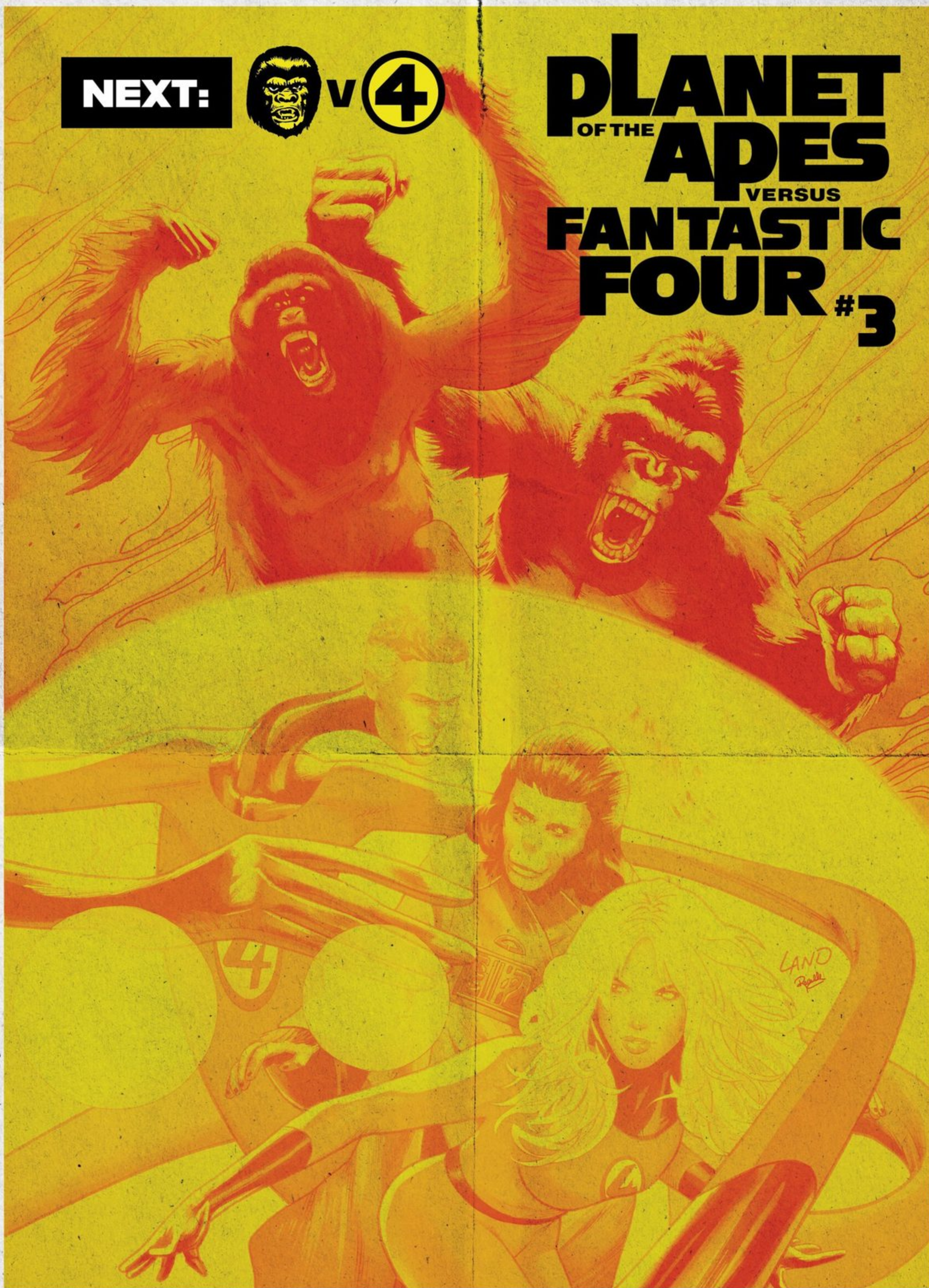
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PLANET OF THE APES

**VERSUS
FANTASTIC
FOUR #3**



A rebellion is afoot in Ape City...and the Fantastic Four have lost their powers. Enter: the Apetastic Four! Meanwhile, Doctor Doom and the Red Ghost's plans begin to bear fruit. Will they conquer the Planet of the Apes...or destroy it?!

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With the arrival of an alien Predator, a tournament of the world's top fighters has turned into a desperate bid to stay alive! The human survivors are trapped within the arena, and the Predator is hunting them one by one. Can they rally to overcome not only their alien enemy but also the all-too-human forces keeping them confined?

And who is the traitor in their midst?

ON SALE IN MARCH!